

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner is thanked for the courteous telephone interview granted Applicant's representative on March 31, 2009. During the interview, the claims as amended in the Response to Office Action filed March 3, 2009, were discussed. The Examiner advised that the amended claims appeared to overcome the outstanding rejections, however, the Examiner requested that the claims be further amended so as to be directed to "a system" rather than to an "anvil." This Supplemental Response has been prepared pursuant to the Examiner's request, and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance.

Claims 1-10 and 12-24 are present in the application. Claims 1-9 were amended. No claims were added or newly canceled. Claims 10 and 12-24 stand withdrawn from consideration. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and the following comments.

As indicated above, independent claim 1 has been amended to positively recite that it is directed to a system rather than to an anvil; and dependent claims 2-9 have been amended to properly depend from amended claim 1.

This application is now believed to be in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the Examiner so find and issue a Notice of Allowance in due course.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the Examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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